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United States Patents

<u>U.S. Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
4,881,327	Hauser et al.	11-21-1989
5,370,289	Helms	12-06-1994
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Foreign Patent Documents

<u>Country</u>	<u>Foreign Patent No.</u>	<u>Patentee</u>	<u>Issue Date</u>
WO	2005/003453	Metso Paper, Inc.	01-13-2005

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Other Documents

International Search Report issued in PCT/FI2004/050110

International Preliminary Report on Patentability issued in PCT/FI2004/050110

Copies of the non-US documents are submitted herewith along with Form PTO/SB/08A and Form PTO/SB/08B.

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